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A_state operated mechanized farm project covering an area of 39,000 mou fone mou equals 1/6 acre7 at Huang-tien-fan on the north bank of Fu-ch'un Chiang is being completed by the Chekiang Provincial government. It is to be used as a training center and pilot farm for future mechanized farms in the province. The land has been made productive through reclamation and flood control works which were started September 1950 and have employed over 10,000 workers.

Hangchow -- To acquire experience in the field of mechanized farming and to introduce progressive farming methods to the farmers, the Agriculture and Forestry Department of Chekiang, in September 1950, started the construction of a state farm at Huang-tien-fan in Fu-yang Hsien. At present, the farm project is being completed with enthusiastic assistance from the local government and people.

The farm, covering 39,000 mou is located on the north bank of Fu-ch'un Chiang. The river front of the farm fields is about 6 li fone li equals 1/3 mile/ long, while on the remaining sides the fields are surrounded by hills. Many streams that empty into the river from the hills pass through the fields. Formerly, during the flood season, the area was invariably flooded. Consequently, before the liberation, peasants did not cultivate the land, and the whole area was covered by reeds.

After the liberation, the Chekiang government designated the Huang-tien-fan area as one of the three major agriculture and water conservancy project areas in the province. To prevent the flooding of the field, over 10,000 workers were mobilized to repair the dike along the river front and construct seven water gates at stream entrances.

At present, the state farm is employing over 20 cadres and 258 agricultural workers. About 9,400 mou is under cultivation with 4,000 mou devoted to rice. The present assets of the farm include five Ford tractors, one caterpillar tractor,

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and 48 head of work oxen and mules. Some 10 li of main roads (5 meters wide), 15 li of secondary roads (3 meters wide), and many bridges have been built in or around the field. About 10 li of irrigation canals and 15,000 meters of ditch were either dug or repaired to insure adequate irrigation.

A dispensary, library, cooperative, and club were organized for the convenience of the workers. The government plans to use the Huang-tien-fan farm as a model for progressive and mechanized farms in other areas of the province and as a training center for cadres and tractor operators for future state farms.

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